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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT MAILED SEPTEMBER 8, 2004

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to a Restriction Requirement mailed September 8, 2004, the response date for which was due October 8, 2004. The Commissioner is requested to consider this paper a petition for a two-month extension of time to respond, bringing the date to December 8, 2004, which is within the six-month statutory period for a reply. Enclosed herewith is a credit card payment form in the amount of \$215.00 in payment of the fee for a two-month extension of time in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2). If the payment form is inadvertently omitted, or if any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 are deemed to be due with respect to the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct said fee from Vinson & Elkins L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 22-0365/ AND541/4-007US/58011.

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Re: U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/670,135 entitled "ENDOGENOUS GRANZYME B IN HUMAN NON-HEMATOPOIETIC CELLS" by Hong-Ji Xu, et al. (Our Ref: AND541/4-007US/58011)

Dear Sirs:

Transmitted herewith for filing with the above-referenced patent application are the following documents:

- 1) Response to Office Action dated September 8, 2004;
- 2) Credit Card Payment Form (\$215.00); and
- 3) Return postcard.

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Respectfully submitted,

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